

Nonpoint Source Grants Webinar

Notice of Intent:
Eligibility, Priorities, Process



Housekeeping

- All lines will be muted.
- Questions can be sent to us via the question/chat box.
- We will use polls during the webinar.
- A short survey will be sent after the webinar- please respond!
- We will record the webinar and post it online.

Today's Presenters



Rob Selesky



Bob Sweet

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- Agenda
- Webinar Goals
- NPS Program Overview
- Information and help
- New for FY17
- Process and schedule
- Eligibility – who, what, where
- Targeted Water Bodies



Agenda

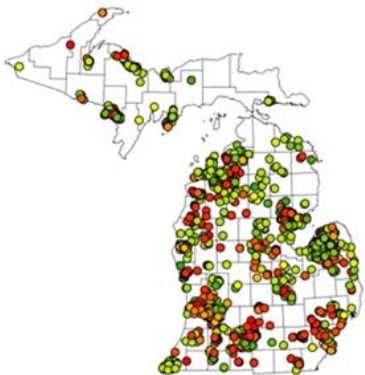
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- Eligibility Criteria
- Targeted Water Bodies
- Program Priorities
- Notice of Intent (NOI) Form
- Watershed Planning RFP
- Wrap up

Goals for this Webinar

- For FY17 NPS implementation funding explain:
 - The schedule and process
 - Eligibility (who, what and where)
 - Priorities and targeted water bodies
 - Notice of Intent Form
- Introduce the FY17 Planning RFP.
- Answer any questions about applications or proposed work.

Michigan's Nonpoint Source Program

- Assists partners to restore and protect waters from impacts of NPS pollution.
- Education and Outreach, Monitoring, Technical Assistance, Partnerships, and Enforcement.
- Through this RFP we plan on funding 15-20 projects totaling approximately \$4 million.
- Pass Through Grants
 - Over 700 grants since 1990 totaling about \$145 million in grant funds.
 - Approximately 3,100 individual BMPs installed since 1990.
 - Calculated load reductions
 - Sediment - 1.5 million tons/year
 - Nitrogen – 2.3 million pounds/year
 - Phosphorus – 1.0 million pounds/year



Nonpoint Source Program Website:

www.michigan.gov/nps

**Where to go for information
or help**

- Staff Contact information
- The RFP and appendices
- All forms and instructions
- *Past project fact sheets – Warning!*

New for FY17

- NICRA form submittal with NOI
- Contractual v. Supplies
- Maintenance defined
- Appendix E 1: Addressing Storm Water Under Michigan's NPS Program

Process and Schedule

- Request for Proposals Released
 - Wednesday July 20th
- Notice of Intent (NOI) Due
 - Wednesday August 17th
- Invitation for Full Proposal
 - Wednesday August 31st
- Webinar for Full Proposal Preparation
 - Week of September 12th
- Deadline for Full Proposal
 - Friday October 14

Process and Schedule

- Initial Review – Internal and external reviewers representing different expertise's and programs.
- District Staff – Rank proposals on a District basis.
- NPS Unit - A Recommendation Package is put together on a Statewide basis.
- Management Review - Sequentially by WRD Management, DEQ Management, EPA Region 5, and for projects over \$250,000 the State Ad Board.
- Legislature adoption of State and federal budgets.
- Project Awards!

Eligible Applicants

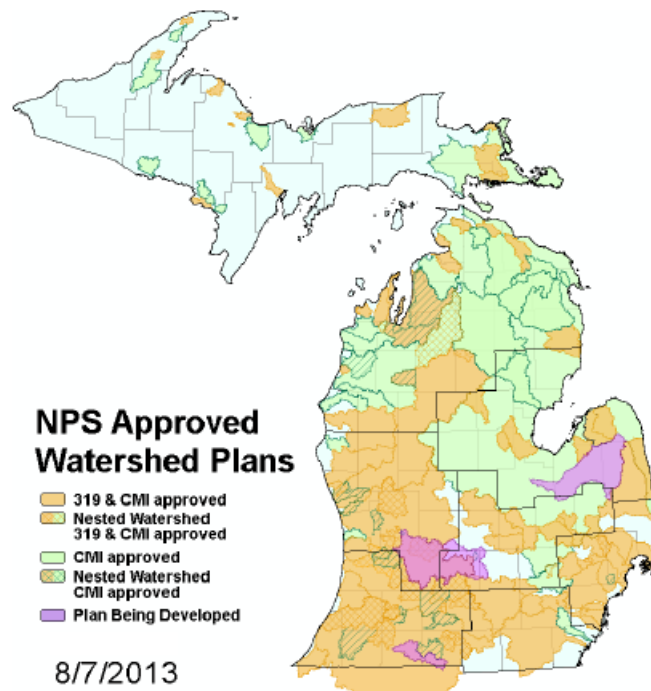
- Nonfederal units of government,
- Public and private colleges and universities,
- Incorporated nonprofit organizations

In Addition, All Applicants Must...

- Supply proof of a successful financial audit
- Be in good standing with DEQ programs:
 - No DEQ grant revoked or terminated
 - No demonstrated inability to manage a grant or meet the obligations in a project contract with the DEQ
- Not on the Federal Debarment and Suspension List
- Not an Iran-linked business

Eligible Watersheds

- Approved watershed management plan,
- Meets CMI and 319 criteria,
- On or before July 20, 2016.



Eligible Activities

- Consistent with NPS Program Plan
- High priority recommendations in approved WMP
- Located in critical area in WMP

Ineligible Activities

- Activities required by permit, law or enforcement order
- Maintenance activities
- Land Acquisition in fee simple (outright purchase)
- Point Source Related projects

Watershed Planning (for this RFP)

- Limited funds for Technical Updates.
- General WMP updates not eligible.
- Proposals including a Technical Update will be evaluated on the implementation portion.
- Applicants should consider the timing of the technical update relative to implementation.
- Separate Watershed Planning RFP.

Targeted Water Bodies

- List by District
 - Includes 43 water bodies
 - 10 for protection activities
 - 30 for restoration activities
 - 3 for both protection and restoration activities

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Project Outcomes

Restoration projects:

1. Meet USEPA strategic targets
 - i. Fully restore impaired water bodies.
 - ii. Remove at least one specific cause of impairment.
 - iii. Improve water quality in a 12-digit HUC.
2. Result in measurable improvements in water quality.
3. Achieve or make substantial progress toward the NPS reduction targets of a TMDL or watershed management plan.

Project Outcomes

Protection Projects:

1. Result in measurable water quality improvement at NPS impacted sites in high quality watersheds.
2. Achieve or make substantial progress toward the land use protection targets of a watershed management plan.

Outreach and Education Projects:

1. Result in measurable change in social indicators

NPS Program Emphasis: LID and Green Infrastructure

- Watersheds with impairments caused by unstable hydrology.
- LID or GI must be identified as a high priority activity in the approved watershed management plan.
- LID or GI must be focused on critical areas in the approved watershed management plan.

NPS Program Emphasis: Agricultural Practices

- Targeted approach to agricultural projects – comprehensive use of BMPs in critical areas.
 - Cropland Management Strategies
 - Livestock Management Strategies
- Drainage Water Management Strategies.

Program Priorities

- Three Tier System
 - Used since FY10
- Historic Tiers and Funding

FY10 – FY16	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Received	209	114	71	20
Funded (#)	81	65	15	1
Funded (%)	39%	57%	21%	5%

FY16 Only	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Received	41	22	15	3
Funded (#)	13	12	1	0
Funded (%)	32%	55%	7%	0%

Program Funding Priorities

Tier 1- Restoration

- A targeted water body and implementing restoration activities.
- Meets a measurable Project Outcome for Restoration (1 or 2).
- Measurable social change.
- LID and GI practices consistent with the program emphasis.
- Agricultural practices consistent with the program emphasis.

Program Funding Priorities

Tier 1 – Protection

- A targeted water body and implementing protection activities.
- Water quality improvement at NPS site in high quality system
- Achieves or makes progress towards the land use protection goals of an approved WMP.
- Measurable social change.

Program Funding Priorities

Tier 2

- Eligible water body
- Meet one or more of the outcomes listed for Tier 1, or
- Achieve or make substantial progress toward the NPS load reduction target of an approved TMDL or watershed management.

Program Funding Priorities

Tier 3

- Other NPS projects which are consistent with the eligibility criteria and the NPS Program Plan.
- Proposals meeting Tier 1 criteria will be considered for funding first. Tier 2 projects may be selected over Tier 1 projects based on projected impacts and NPS priorities. Tier 3 proposals will be considered last.

Notice Of Intent Forms

- What
 - Short form requesting basic information.
- Why
 - Assess eligibility.
 - Improve projects prior to full proposals being due.
 - Helps applicants assess the competitiveness of their idea.
- Submitting the Form
 - Word© or searchable PDF Format via e-mail.
 - E-mail response within 2 hours.

NOI Form



**Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
Water Resources Division – Nonpoint Source Program
Fiscal Year 2017 Notice of Intent**

(Authorized by 1994 PA 451).



Organization Name: [REDACTED]

Organization Address: (Street Name and #) [REDACTED]

(City) [REDACTED] (State) [REDACTED] (Zip Code) [REDACTED]

Organization Phone #: [REDACTED]

Contact Person: [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Contact's E-Mail: [REDACTED]
(Name), (Title)

Organization can provide proof of a successful audit? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Organization has a federally Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement? ☐ Yes* ☐ No

*If "Yes" submit a copy of your NICRA with this Notice of Intent.

Organization is a: ☐ Nonprofit -or- ☐ Unit of Governmental



NOI Form

Project Name:

Project Location (Primary County):

Water body Name: HUC:

Watershed Management Plan Name:

Plan is: ☐ CMI Approved ☐ 319 Approved

Specific Recommendation(s) being implemented:

Listed Watersheds:

12 Digit HUC: Designated Use: TMDL Date:

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☐ Watershed is a 2017 NPS Targeted Watershed

To find your 12 digit HUC

- Go to: <https://ejscreen.epa.gov/mapper/>
- Enter the City and State of your project area.
- Select “Add Maps” on the menu on the top of the screen. Then click on “Additional Maps” and then “Water Features”.
- Check the box next to “Watershed (HUC 12)”.
- Click within the watershed of interest.
- The 12 digit HUC and watershed name will be displayed.

NOI Form

Project Summary (Maximum 200 words):

Project Outcomes (Maximum 100 words):

NOI Form

Project Includes:

- ☐ Physical Best Management Practice (BMP) Installation:
BMP Type:
- ☐ Managerial BMPs:
BMP Type:
- ☐ Technical Support for BMP installation via other funding source
- ☐ Land Protection:
- ☐ Information and Education Efforts
- ☐ Environmental Monitoring
- ☐ Social Monitoring
- ☐ Technical Watershed Plan Update

NOI Form

Partners:

Consultants:

Estimated Grant Funds: \$

Estimated Local Match: \$

NOI Submittal

- Due before 5pm Wednesday August, 17th.
- In Word© or searchable PDF Format.
- Email as an attachment to:
 deq-npsgrants@michigan.gov
- Confirmation email within 2 hours.

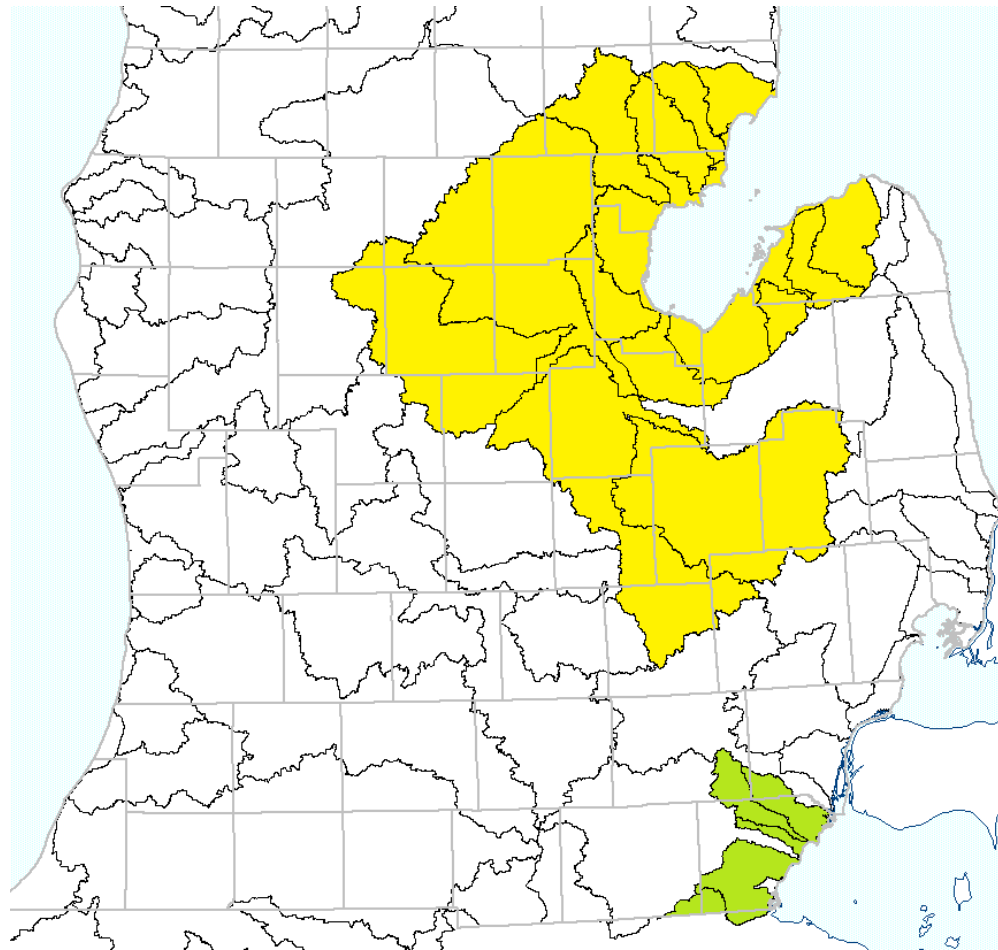
Watershed Planning RFP

- RFP planned release is August 11, 2016
- About \$172,000 is available.
- Projects must update existing plan or produce a new plan.
- A minimum 15% local match is required.
- Planning projects are typically funded for 2 years but lengths up to 3 years will be considered.

Watershed Planning Funding Priorities

- Proposals for watershed management plans:
 - That will address phosphorus inputs to the Western Basin of Lake Erie.
 - That will address phosphorus inputs to Saginaw Bay.
- Proposals to update select approved Watershed Management Plans approved by the DEQ as meeting CMI and 319 criteria prior to October 1, 2010.

Watershed Planning Priority Areas



Watershed Planning RFP Process

- RFP tentative release: August 11, 2016.
- Full proposals due September 14, 2016.
- Anticipate awarding funds for successful projects mid-December 2016.

Questions?



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Wrap Up

- Recording
- Evaluation
- Contacts:
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